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	*A6	4,509,528	4/85	Sahota		
	*A7	4,650,466	1/87	Luther		
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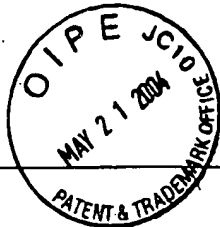
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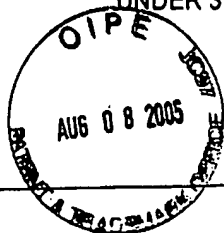
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